(c) whether the said variety of cotton has become very much susceptible to atmosphere and weather conditions and also to many diseases of various sorts ;

(d) whether they are aware that the ryots who have sown that variety have suffered to a great extent ;

(e) whether they are aware that the steps taken by them by way of starting research stations, etc., so far have not been fruitful and helpful for more yield and improvement of quality ;

(f) what steps the Government has taken or propose to take to substitute that variety or improve the quality of seed at an early date ?

A.—Sri H. C. BORAIAH (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister for Agriculture).—

(a) To some extent, the Laxmi variety Cotton crop in Dharwar District has been damaged due to adverse seasonal conditions.

(b) No.

(c) Just like any other American Cotton, it is also susceptible to pests and diseases if proper plant protection measures are not taken.

(d) Cultivators who have applied fertilizers and taken plant protection measures have not suffered from growing Laxmi variety cotton crop.

(e) To evolve a variety it takes 10 to 15 years. Certain varieties have also been evolved and they are undergoing Tests before general release which are superior to Laxmi Cotton in variety.

(f) Research work is in progress. The releasing of a New variety after Testing in the District Trials and conducting Mill Tests are under observation.

Irrigation wells in Tumkur District.

*Q.—629. Sri N. HUTCHAMASTI GOWDA (Chandrashekarapura).—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) the number of irrigation wells sanctioned in Tumkur District during the last 3 years (Talukwar figures may be furnished);

(b) out of them, the number of wells in respect of which works have not been started (Taluk-wise information may be given);

(c) out of them, the number of wells in respect of which works have been progessed to a little extent (taluk-wise information be given);

(d) out of the wells not taken up so far, the number of wells in respect of which Second instalment amount and Third instalment amount has been given (taluk-wise information may be given);

(e) whether they have taken steps to collect the amount in respect of well works that have not been taken up (Taluk-wise information may be furnished) ?

A.—Sri M. V. KRISHNAPPA (Minister for Revenue).—

(a) to (e) *Vide* Statement Appended.

IRRIGATION WELLS IN TUMKUR DISTRICT

Sl. No.	Taluk	The No. of irrigation wells sanctioned in Tumkur District during the last 3 years (Taluk-wise figures may be furnished)				Out of them, the No. of wells in respect of which works have not been started (Taluk-wise information may be given).				Out of them the No. of wells in respect of which works have been progressed to a little extent (taluk-war information may be given)				Out of the wells not taken up so far the No. of wells in respect of which second instalment and third instalment amount has been given (Talukwar information may be given).	Whether they have taken steps to collect the amount in respect of wells works have not been taken up (Talukwar information may be furnished).
		61-62	62-63	63-64	Total	61-62	62-63	63-64	Total	61-62	62-63	63-64	Total		
1	Tumkur	...	76	23	99	...	15	1	16	...	26	4	30	...	Action has been taken for recovery of loan amount in one lump.
2	Kunigal	...	80	21	101	...	9	7	16	...	18	6	24	...	
3	Gubbi	...	68	32	100	...	12	...	12	...	..	...	...	...	
4	C. N. Halli	...	81	17	98	...	7	...	7	...	25	10	35	...	
5	Tiptur	...	91	17	108	...	6	...	6	...	8	1	9	...	
6	Turuvekere	...	92	17	109	...	20	10	30	..	21	10	31	...	
7	Madhugiri	50	159	41	250	3	8	...	11	5	20	5	30	...	
8	Sira	46	189	29	264	...	...	...	...	5	48	12	65	...	
9	Pavagada	47	216	40	303	...	11	...	11	2	22	8	32	...	
10	Koratagere	...	100	17	117	...	1	2	3	...	25	5	50	...	
	Total	143	1152	254	1549	3	89	20	112	12	213	61	286		